## Indiana Department of Environmental Management U.S. EPA Clean Water Act Section 205(j) Grant September 24, 2003

## INTRODUCTION

In January 2003, IDEM requested CWA § 205(j) funds from U.S. EPA to provide technical assistance on issues relating to the Triennial rulemaking.

These funds were conditionally approved August 27, 2003 and should be available by the end of the year.

## **TASKS**

IDEM may hire contractor(s) to assist in any of the following tasks or steps:

- A. First Notice.
- B. Department responses to written comments from first notice & preparation of draft proposed rule language.
- C. Second Notice.
- D. Department responses to written comments from second notice and amendment to proposed rule language based thereon & preparation of proposed rule language for consideration of preliminary adoption.
- E. First public hearing.
- F. Preparation of a Legislative Services Agency fiscal analysis on preliminary adopted rule.
- G. Department responses to comments from first public hearing & publication of preliminary adopted rule, responses to comments, LSA fiscal impact analysis and third written comment period notice.
- H. Second public hearing.

Assistance can be in the form of facilitation of workgroup meetings, technical research or advice to IDEM and stakeholders, preparation of documents related to the rulemaking etc. The assistance can be for any portion of the Mercury, Antidegradation/OSRW, *E. coli* or Fast Track issues rulemakings, or any other Triennial Review related rulemakings that are active during the two year period covered by the grant.

## TIME FRAME

The grant period will run from January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2005. A total budget of \$149,000 is available for the contractor(s) (or agent(s) of sufficient technical expertise) to complete the project tasks. This will include all expenses relating to completing the tasks.